

## Explains Lithographic Process



**RIGHT COLOR USED STAMPS PLUS 50 HOURS EQUALS THE ABOVE.** Clarence Morrow of Piqua, Ohio dug into his accumulation of used stamps of various issues, and in his spare time developed the above tribute to his state of Ohio. The "1803-1953" and the State Flag are composed of bits of stamps as are the great seal in the center, and the carnation, buckeye and cardinal from left to right across the bottom. Even the wavy line cancellation was put to good use as for instance to make the shock of wheat in the seal and feathers on the cardinal. There are a total of 454 stamps used—2c UN's, Everglades, Indian Centennial, Freedom, Gold Star Mothers, Nevada and 1c Prexy.

## Things To Consider When Writing A Stamp Story

Gertrude Boss

The writing of a stamp story for a publication, can not be done in a hit-or-miss fashion but only after much thought and preparation. Since there are three classes of stories to be considered, one first decides which type is in the field of knowledge possessed by the writer.

These types are, or may be classed as—propaganda, information or local interest. Such articles are to be sent to entirely different publications. Propaganda has come to mean "selling point", and in the case of stamps it is as applicable as that of advertisements for television or automobiles, for the writer is simply telling a reader that the one and only thing for him to do is to collect stamps.

The writer himself must be absolutely sold on the idea, and be sincere if he wishes to write convincingly.

In the years he has spent collecting, reading and doing research work along philatelic lines, he must have become acquainted with the paraphernalia and technique required, and the use of terms of expressions familiar to collectors.

He will be aware of the opinions of physicians, regarding the value of philately in occupational therapy, or be able to demonstrate the amount of sheer pleasure shared by hobbyists.

It is rarely necessary for a writer to dwell upon such subjects as costs and investments and

profits, except in rare cases.

Such subjects as "Philately for Occupational Therapy", reach a market in medical and health journals. "Philately Disseminates Religious Information", is used in various church and religious and Sunday School papers, especially if "Topical Collecting" is along religious lines. With a world more or less topsy-turvy at present, and a desire for international friendships the subject "Philately for Peace" met with great favor in several papers.

For the school papers, it is suitable to write on the "Educational Value of Stamp Collecting". This sort of article finds no response from the old line long established stamp publication, as such, for their thousands of readers are so thoroughly sold on the worth of the idea, they consider it a waste of space. They want the "Information Stories".

It is a simple matter to secure (Continued on page 7)

## Americana Collectors Have Separate Unit

One of the newest units of the American Topical Association is the Americana, the members of which collect stamps and philatelic matter which have a definite tie-in with things or persons American. To date they have produced eight bulletins on the specialty each of which has news of unit activities and information on the field.

Persons interested in Americana on Foreign Stamps are invited to consider membership in the group. It is obligatory that one must first join the parent organization, the ATA. Secretary of the Americana Unit is Miss Catherine D. Caspary, 37-36 93rd St., Jackson Heights 72, N. Y.

The first eight bulletins of the unit are given to all those who become members in the next several weeks.



### FICTIONAL CHARACTERS.

Commemorative stamps which are intended to honor Rabelais and Victor Hugo, world famous French writers, picture characters from their works. A 6fr red and reddish blue has Rabelais' "Gargantua," and an 18fr violet and grayish black Hugo's "Hernani". According to Gimbels Stamp Department the first days of issue were May 29 and June 8.

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## Aloys Senefelder Inventor In 18th Century; Frequently Used For Stamp Manufacture

A. L. Mackenzie

An encyclopedia has the following to say about lithography:

**Lithography**—In printing, a process of graphic reproduction discovered by Aloys Senefelder in Munich towards the end of the 18th century. It is a method of surface printing based on the principle that grease and water repel each other. The drawing is made with a greasy ink on an absorbent stone; this is washed with water and then inked, the watered parts, repelling the ink, and the drawing (or greasy parts) attracting it. The drawing is then printed.

The most interesting part of the above is what it does not say!

Lithography is the youngest of the three main printing processes, the other two being letterpress (relief printing), and intaglio (recess printing). Lithography is surface printing.

Another interesting point is that litho was born complete. That is to say that Senefelder thought up answers to all questions. He used a limestone for his printing; he foresaw the era when metals be used; and he also foresaw the rotary printing era as well as the offset process of litho printing.

He also suggested methods of dealing with these problems. His methods are in use today.

Lithography is writing with stone. The reason why stone was superceded by metal is because, (1) there was an insufficient quantity of suitable stone available, and (2) the results obtained from metal plates were equal to stone in reproduction and superior to stone in many other ways.

One thing the definition at the beginning of this article omits to mention is that litho, like its sister processes, is a pressure process. Printing is obtained by applying pressure to a sheet of paper which is in contact with the prepared printing surface.

For stamp printing, lithography is gaining in favor. Beautiful results can be obtained by this process; long runs are possible, as many as 3,000,000 impressions from one plate; printing at high speed is possible, 18,000 revolutions per hour, or impressions per hour is a normal speed.

Lastly, litho printing meets all the requirements of security printing. As a parting shot it may be mentioned that it is a cheaper process than intaglio.

Photo-lithography is used for stamp printing. In this one cleanliness plays an important part as does chemistry. It is, in fact, a chemical process.

In the beginning it was necessary to draw the printing image on the stone in reverse so that when it was printed it would be the right way around. Early in his experiments Senefelder discovered the advantages of transfer paper. With its aid it was possible to draw normally; pass this transfer on to the printing plate which in turn added the image to the paper. Transfer papers are still an important ingredient in the process of litho printing.

Because paper stretches when it is wet, owing to the fibers in the paper expanding or absorbing the moisture, it is necessary to take steps to minimize the danger of distortion when printing down from transfer papers. It is not always possible to prevent this distortion in spite of the great care taken. Keeping the press room at an even temperature and damping the paper before printing are two of the most common methods used by printers to overcome this handicap, but their efforts do not always meet with 100 per cent success.

The over-keen philatelist using a microscope may find several "errors" or flaws if he spends

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enough time over the job, but it might be as well to realize that here is one instance where the forces of nature refuse to pay the slightest respect to the desires of man. It might therefore be advisable to ascertain in advance what "errors" are due to man, which are genuine errors, and which are due to the forces of nature, which cannot be regarded as errors.

In intaglio printing if seven colors are wanted on the stamp this can be done by making four plates, for red, yellow, blue and black. By combining these four plates the seven colors can easily be obtained.

In lithographic printing this trick is not possible. If seven colors are wanted, seven different plates have to be made, and when the stamp is being printed these seven plates have to be brought into exact register. This is not always possible due to variations in temperature which results in either expansion of the paper if the humidity is high, or contraction if the humidity is low. Here again this fact is responsible for several so-called errors.

A litho-plate must be chemically clean—chemicals are used to meet this requirement. However it is sometimes necessary to clean old work from plates—and the following is the procedure:

Wash off the ink with benzine or turpentine and carbolic acid and immerse in a bath of nitric acid and water.

Wash off ink with turpentine or gasoline with pumice powder rubbed with a felt pad, and follow with a wash of benzine, then immerse in the above and finally regrain the plate.

This description is given in order that the reader may have a clearer idea of just how important chemicals are in litho work.

If corrections have to be done to a plate, the operator is faced with a difficult task. The unwanted portion of the work is removed with concentrated sulphuric acid, rinsed and dried, and then treated with a saturated solution of oxalic acid and water. All this has to be done without damaging the rest of the job. However when corrections have to be done to a plate it is almost impossible to avoid damaging the grain of the plate.

For a zinc plate the ink should be washed off with gasoline or benzine and then a strong solution of caustic soda applied locally to

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## How Some Fancy Cancels Were Made

Albert W. Bork

(Editor's Note: In the January 19, 1953 edition we were pleased to present "Fancy Registry Cancel Origins" by Albert W. Bork, on page one. It evoked such an amount of interest, and questions from readers, that Mr. Bork has agreed to carry his findings just a step further and tell about and illustrate some of the cancels and the devices used to make them. Here in summarized form is his additional information.)

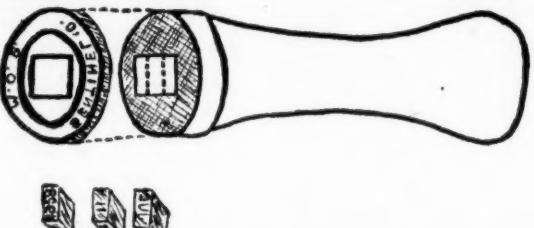
In my original article of January 19, 1953, I wrote:

"In Prescott, Arizona, where the writer was born and grew up, he and George Krauss, a fellow postal employee and collector, became aware during the spring of 1928, or even before, that many of the larger post offices of the country were making use of a varied number of cancellers on registered mail, apparently in an effort to conform to regulations stressed in general orders issued to postmasters in previous months.

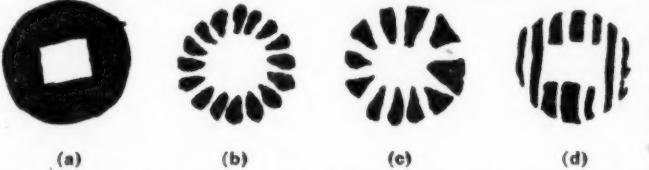
The purpose of the general orders was to call attention to the regulation which states that the name of the mailing office should not appear on the face of the registered letter or other registered article.

"Cancellations in use at the time varied from the old wooden target, which at that time still survived and was officially recognized as within the general regulations, to crosses and grids, or just a number of squares and triangles, evidently the result of having taken the regulation canceller and cut it to meet the needs of the day."

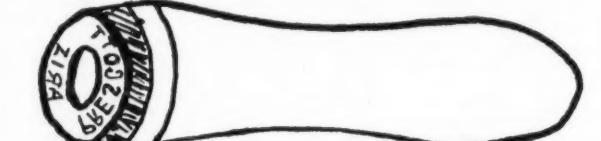
Here are illustrations which show the manner in which discarded handstamps or cancellers were adapted to make "fancy" registry cancellations.



Here is a type of handstamp used for money orders, backstamping of registered mail and other special purposes. The portion bearing the name of the office was cemented to a soft rubber base from which it would become detached with use, and it was then possible to cut or carve the base to serve as one desired. Sometimes the letters were merely removed from an extra handstamp of this type, leaving the concentric circles. Examples are from Fort Benning, Ga., and Grand Junction, Colo. There were doubtless others.



In Cheshire, Conn., see (a), the rubber base with the square hole for inserting the dates was used without any alteration. At Palatka, Fla. it was cut so as to leave four equal segments like a big piece of pie with the point bitten off. The circle of small petals like those of a flower, illustration (b), was used at Appleton, Wis. Similar designs were used at Jacksonville, Fla. and St. Marys, Ohio, shown in (c). Victorville, Calif. used a different type, see (d). None of these were of great duration because the ink attacked the rubber with little use.



The small "dauber" type canceller, made of a gelatinous substance impervious to the black ink used in the larger offices, would harden or wear with time. Nearly all offices had discarded fillers which could be cut to make a fancy canceller.



That pictured at (e) was cut by myself when a postal clerk at Prescott, Ariz. The item pictured as (f) was used at Tucson, Ariz. on a letter mailed February 9, 1929 and is not listed in the very complete study made by Loso and De Windt. Another unlisted variety is (g). It appeared on a letter from the Luhrs Sta., Phoenix, Ariz. March 12, 1929. A further adaptation of the "oval" type is pictured in (h). It was used at Cleveland, Ohio. Many similar or varied types were used at Los Angeles, Calif., Appleton, Wis., Fargo, N. D., Jackson, Tenn., Pasadena, Calif. and others to numerous to mention.

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The final section of Dr. Robert C. H. Lee's serial on the first issue of China opens up new ground on the 5 c and 10 c values and consolidates the knowledge, previous and new, on the 1 c and 2 c values.

General Cornelius W. Wickerham's article on the first issue of Venezuela is a most useful contribution, substituting actual fact, detailed knowledge, for the many suppositions hitherto current about these stamps. The section on the cancellations used with this issue is likely to be of particular value.

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## The Book Of The Century

Only once in a lifetime, if even that often, does an editor have the  
privilege to examine and review a book such as "The Royal  
Philatelic Collection."To me, this book makes its greatest appeal as one of the most  
beautiful and perfect examples of the Graphic Arts that it has ever been my  
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age can not appreciate such work, for it  
has no life, no heart, no soul, from which  
such appreciation must come.The typography is perfect, the paper  
of the finest, the printing beyond reproach. The color lithography is so real  
that one has the urge to take his tweezers  
in hand and flip the stamp up so as to see  
if it has gum on its back. There are several  
such pages, each a thrill to look upon.  
These pages illustrate the most choice  
items from the collection and make one  
feel almost as though they owned the

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real stamps.

All this is included in as handsome a bit of bookbinding as one  
could wish for.The book gives the story of the conception and formation of the  
stamp collection of King George V and as later carried on by King  
George VI. Naturally it is exclusively of Great Britain and the  
issues of the countries making up the Empire. Many pages are de-  
voted to facts of interest about the making of the collection and  
the stamps in it.A good portion of the volume is devoted to a thorough catalog  
of the collection which includes also forty-eight full page plates  
which show the finer items from almost all countries. At first  
thought we were inclined to question the desirability of the cata-  
logue, but on the other hand what need for publication of the book  
at all if not to list and describe the collection. Perhaps this is the  
one great collection that will remain intact and thus deserves re-  
cording, for it is now stated that the new Queen Elizabeth II is to  
continue the collection from where it was stopped due to the death  
of George VI. Certainly no private collector would or could build  
a collection such as this. It is unlike collections formed by other  
monarchs such as Carol of Roumania or Fuad of Egypt or name  
whom you will. This collection shows the stamp from its concep-  
tion in a first rough sketch, on up through the approved drawing,  
the engraving, the color proofs and to the finished stamp. No other  
person than a King of an Empire could command such material and  
it has been splendidly assembled in over 300 volumes by expert  
Philatelists working with the King who was a very thorough philatelist  
himself.Unlike collections of other monarchs, this one will become the  
property of the British Crown and kept for posterity, it will not be  
scattered in the auction rooms of the world as go other great col-  
lections.There have been too many examples of rich men here in America  
going into stamp collecting and running "hog wild" just because they  
had the cash to throw away yet who knew little or nothing much  
about the stamps they accumulated.Not so with King George V, he was a very thorough Philatelist  
who took great interest in his stamps and was a member of the  
Royal Philatelic Society.Those who buy a copy of this lovely book need not hope for an  
endless amount of thrilling reading or invaluable information. It is  
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so finely executed that it might well be "the Book of the Century".It certainly will rank as the greatest and finest of all Philatelic  
works and when one realizes that the edition was less than 3000  
copies one will know that time will come when it will be at a pre-  
mium even though the cost may seem high today. This however is  
not the case. Were the book produced here in America we are told  
that the cost would be over \$500 per copy for an edition of ten  
thousand books. The lower costs of work of this type in Britain has  
made it possible to produce this book and sell it abroad for \$190.00.  
Only by special concession of the United States Government was it  
possible to import the book into America at all for illustrations of  
stamps in color are forbidden here, but the magnificence of this  
work brought about a special ruling with permission to bring the  
book to America.Mr. Minkus of Gimbel's Stamp Department in New York has  
told me that they have already sold quite a few of these from the  
advertisement they had in our issue of May 25th. A circular with  
further details may be had from Gimbel's Stamp Dept. 33rd and  
Broadway, New York.

## We Told You So

When we told in our issue of May 18, about the new Shrub Oak,  
N. Y. local stamp that had been put in use by Pat Herst we warned that  
the information dug up by Mr. Herst would doubtless bring  
forth other examples or similar locals.One has just appeared, the first day being June 2, as attested  
by the Postal cancellation on the cover. This comes from Walter  
Brink of Genesee Depot, Wisconsin. It purports to be for the purpose  
of carrying mail from Genesee Depot to a nearby city where postal  
service is in effect 24 hours per day. The Genesee Depot Post Office  
closes at 5 o'clock, so if one of the cows at the Brook Hill Farm  
wants to send a letter after five o'clock it has to lay in the post office  
all night before getting on its way. By use of these local stamps  
the Brook Hill Farm Local Service will convey the letter to a nearby  
city for immediate service in all directions. The fee is 10c. The  
stamps are not available unused but may be had on serviced covers  
for 13c to cover the local and the U. S. postage. We do not believe  
Walter will get rich on this deal but he might accumulate enough  
to take another tour of the east. We understand that from another  
New York State town a local is planned. In this instance the party  
planning the same had to have it explained to him as to just how  
far he could go in the wording he planned to use on the stamp.Personally, we hope the boys get this playfulness out of their  
systems. We can not forget however the Bicycle Post Local that  
was promoted in California in 1894 also the Greeley Express of  
Alaska in 1898 as being among the modern rather than the original  
local issues.

## DOUBLE IMPRESSIONS—by Well

... and perhaps a little villa  
on the Riviera... if my CIPEX  
sheets start climbing.Italy Honors  
Famed ViolinistItaly has issued a striking stamp  
to commemorate the death of Ar-  
cangelo Corelli according to P. Ostrow.Day of issue was May 30 and  
postal validity will extend through  
June 30, 1954. Denomination is  
25 L. and color is brown. The de-sign shows Corelli framed in the  
outline of a violin, the lower portion  
of which is occupied by a  
tablet inscribed "Arcangelo Cor-  
elli — 1653-1953."It is most appropriate, for Cor-  
elli was a noted violinist, com-  
poser and musical innovator. In  
Italy, this tercentenary of his  
death is being celebrated with na-  
tional-wide observances.Corelli was born at Fusignano,  
near Bologna, on February 12,  
1653. He is particularly noted for  
his sonatas and concertos. One of  
the most celebrated musicians of  
his time, he was a friend of Handel  
and Scarlatti, and is considered the  
father of violin technique.Unlike many artists, Corelli died  
a rich man on January 10, 1713  
and his body rests today in the  
Pantheon in Rome.1953 STAMP PROGRAM  
Oct. 13—Future Farmers of  
America 3c, Kansas City, Mo.  
Japanese Treaty  
Bar Association  
Gen. Patton  
Gadsden Purchase

## ISSUED TO DATE

1017—National Guard 3c, Wash-  
ington, D. C. February 23.  
1018—Ohio Seagull 3c, Chil-  
licothe, Ohio, March 2.  
1019—Washington Territorial  
3c, Olympia, Wash., March 2.  
1020—Louisiana Purchase, St.  
Louis, Mo., April 30.  
C47—Aviation 6c, Dayton, Ohio,  
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of issue was revealed by the Post  
Office Department. There will  
probably be two or more prior to  
this release, but nothing official as  
to dates has been given. The Post  
Office Department bulletin read:"Postmaster General Arthur E.  
Summerfield announced that the 3c  
Future Farmers of America com-  
memorative stamp will be first  
placed on sale at Kansas City, Mis-  
souri, on October 13, 1953, in con-  
junction with the 25th Anniversary  
Convention of the Future Farmers  
of America."The description and color of the  
stamp will be announced later."Issue Picture Cards  
For Philatelic MeetIn addition to the special im-  
printed postcard previously re-  
ported as issued for the European  
Philatelic Exposition at Venice, in  
Italy, a series of six special com-  
memorative cards were also issued,  
according to P. Ostrow, Elizabeth,  
N. J.Each card bears on the message  
side the coat of arms of Venice,  
with appropriate inscription. The  
pictorial sides bear six different  
reproductions of the old illustra-  
tions showing methods of deliver-  
ing the posts through the ages.  
Shown are the old relay riders,  
stage and mail coaches and medi-  
eval prints showing the prepara-  
tion of letters.Two of the cards reproduce in-  
scriptions from old stampless cov-  
ers calling for "Cit" (haste). One  
card reproduces the old seal of the  
Viscontis. Another reproduced in  
full color Lombardy Venice stamp  
No. 3, cancelled "Venezia."FOREIGN SETS  
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BY CARL P. RUETH

The New York World Telegram & Sun of June 1 carries a news item which if true would make a nice write-up for the recently issued National Guard commemorative. In connection with it Mrs. Samuel Smith and her son Charles in his uniform were pictured along with the stamp. The caption reads: "It isn't everybody who gets his portrait on a postage stamp, so the excitement and pride in the home of the Samuel Smiths at 195 Lefferts Ave., Brooklyn was understandable when a National Guard commemorative stamp issued by the Post Office Department carried a likeness of their son, former Sgt. Charles, 24, in his National Guard outfit. Charles joined the guard after four years in the Navy and is now majoring in physical education at Springfield College. The Guardsman on the stamp is a composite of a number of photos except for the face. The strong features of Charles' countenance appealed to the artist who designed the stamp."

John P. Sabroe of New York City told me about this one.

1. The design of the National Guard stamp might lead an uninformed person to believe that these soldiers spend most of their time on, near or in the water. What does the design picture?

2. The 50th Anniversary of Aviation airmail of May 29 used a palm branch in the design. What commemorative of recent years had the same kind of use of a palm branch?

Elmer L. Bradley of Fairview, N. J. states that in his part of the country Weehawken officialdom is in the process of whumping up a stadium-size historical pageant built around the famed Hamilton-Burr duel which took place in 1804. It was on July 11 in Weehawken, with Hamilton being the loser.

Naturally, the New Jersey folks want a commemorative stamp to mark this occasion and have so notified the Post Office Department. So don't be surprised if we have one—there have been lots worse.

Alexander Hamilton, first secretary of the United States Treasury and Aaron Burr once a vice president of the United States tangled on the banks of the Hudson River just below the cliffs that mount to now what is Hamilton Ave. The cause of the bad blood was elementary enough. Hamilton claimed that if the Post Office Department had even one ounce of artistic perception it wouldn't print commemorative stamps in that design-killing shade of blue as used for the B & O. and National Guard stamps.

Burr stated that that blue was quite the "purtiest" stuff he had ever seen, and would Mr. Hamilton please turn it.

In the duel, Hamilton got plugged with a slug, and died the next day.

Now after 150 years there remains only me to fight for the elimination of that "bloody blue." Challengers will please form a line to the right, and leave the selection of a weapon to my chubby little hands.

In the May 25 edition I wrote about the Wisconsin postmaster who appointed himself assistant postmaster of his office and then resigned the postmaster job. J. Bert Marx of Chicago has come up with what he claims is a gimmick worked by some employees of the Internal Revenue Department.

Such employees would have to be with the service around 15 to 18 years. Mr. Marx states that after completing fifteen years they can apply for a year and a half leave. During this leave period they can work in any concern doing any class of work (excepting acting as income tax accountant or any work relating thereto). This

will give them six quarters, sufficient to give them full rights on social security. After serving that period they can again re-enter the service where they left off and at the end of 25 years get their pension plus their social security check.

Whether the above is possible or not I do not know—it's what the man said!

As of this date, June 5, the covers sent out via the special jet flight from Dayton on May 30 have not been returned. These were flown to Washington, D. C., and were there to have been back-stamped on arrival and distributed throughout the nation.

Two phone calls, plus a postal card and three notes in the morning mail want to know how come.

I do not have the answer—would advise patience for Uncle Sam's postal boys deliver the goods without fail sooner or later. Might suggest the same patience for other events.

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One of the cleverest membership cards seen in many moons is that used by the Iowa City, Iowa Stamp Club. The background consists of a reproduction of the Iowa Territorial Centennial commem of 1938. The minimum of printing consists of the name of the club, member's name, and secretary's signature—all small enough to keep the stamp design prominent.

W. R. Kern, a past president, wrote that the reason this design was chosen was because the club was established in 1938, the year the stamp was issued, and second, the central design of the stamp, The Old Capitol Building, is in Iowa City. Said building was the territorial capitol and is now the Administration Building of the State University of Iowa.

Mr. Kern says the cards were made by F. W. Kent a member of the club and official photographer for the university.

You can just about figure a stamp for May 29 next year which is a year to the day of the just-released 50th anniversary of Aviation commem. It will be for the establishment of Kansas as a U. S. Territory.

Actually President Pierce signed the enabling legislation on May 30 but since the post office doesn't remain open on a holiday it will be the day before. The Coffeyville Collectors Club inaugurated the drive for the stamp. They also are in favor of having the first day at Leavenworth.

Leavenworth was the scene of the inauguration of the first territorial governor, Andrew Reeder.

Most of you will remember that in the April 27 edition I told about the design of the Louisiana Purchase commem as learned while in St. Louis. It was mentioned that Miss Esther B. Mueller, curator of the Lindbergh Collection at the Jefferson Memorial had postcards with a picture of the statue group pictured on the commem. It was written that these were on sale at two for 5¢.

I now learn via a letter from Miss Mueller that they were forced to sell the cards at 5¢ each. She wrote:

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increase in price of the Louisiana Purchase Tablet post cards. The week the article appeared in your paper we sold out of cards. The demand from the local dealers, etc. took all we had on hand. We put in an order for more and the printer increased the price to 5¢ for each card. This is understandable because the old cards had been ordered more than 10 years ago with a set of twelve historic views. Getting a very large quantity at the time made them much cheaper. Of course, it was to be expected—everything has increased in price in the last ten years.

".....The demands were great, and I do hope the collectors understood the increase in price as I put a note in each letter."

Miss Mueller tells me that the die proof of the Lindbergh stamp they have on exhibition there is the first one pulled and not the second. His mother has the second, and prizes it quite highly.

Incidentally, Miss Mueller states they have a picture of Lindy standing in front of his "Spirit of St. Louis" in post card form at a selling price of two for 5¢ plus a stamped, addressed envelope. She states they have a stock of these and the price is the McCoy. Coins are acceptable, stamps, not. Write to Miss Esther B. Mueller, Missouri Historical Society, Jefferson Memorial Bldg., St. Louis 12, Mo.

Every now and again there arises in the philatelic press claims by various post offices that they are the smallest in the nation. These are backed by pictures plus dimensions.

One of the contenders has been the mail mill at Grimshawes, in Jackson Co., North Carolina. Strike this one off your list for on May 31 the government closed it and moved the postal business to Highlands.

1. They are shown wading through water to shore from a landing boat on the left, and afloat in a boat helping people in a flood on the right.

2. The Gold Star Mothers of 1948.

### Ship Cancellation Society New Officers

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Vincennes, Indiana now stands on the site of Fort Sackville; the picture on the stamp is a reproduction of an oil-painting by Frederick C. Yohn entitled "Surrender of Fort Sackville" which now hangs in the state library at Indianapolis, Indiana.

There were quite a few stamps issued to commemorate and honor various events and heroes connected with development of the so-called "Northwest Territory." Said territory today shows on our maps as Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and a part of Minnesota; thought you might like to know — you're welcome!

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**Reveal Australian  
Stamp Production**

During the 12 months ended June 30, 1952, 954,036,644 Australian postage stamps in sheet form were delivered to the Postmaster General's Department by the Note Printing Branch of the Commonwealth Bank, where Australia's postage stamps are printed.

In stating this, Australian Postmaster General Hubert L. Anthony said recently that more than 22,000,000 separate items of postal stationery were also delivered, as well as large quantities of stamps in coil and booklet form and postage due stamps.

The Note Printing Branch also embossed stamps on more than 10,000,000 envelopes for private users, and the total number of postage stamps of all kinds issued from the Note Printing Branch reached the total of 1,004,799,222.

Mr. Anthony announced the following details of postage stamps in sheets delivered to the Department in the fiscal year 1951-52:

1/4d	64,276,000
1d	22,649,280
1 1/2d	1,871,200
2d	2,780,000
2 1/2d	10,440,000
3d	246,689,968
3 1/2d	466,289,120
4d	8,041,920
4 1/2d	4,016,000
5d	84,320
5 1/2d	667,840
6d	30,087,040
6 1/2d	14,832,000
7 1/2d	4,314,560
9d	10,003,040
1/-	20,612,160
1 1/2	3,822,000
1/3	900,000
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**Canada To Have  
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Canada's Post Office Department has figuratively hoisted the white flag in the heated controversy which has been going on in connection with the five low value definitive stamps and the Coronation commem, all picturing Queen Elizabeth.

The portrait of the Queen is claimed to be a poor one as offered in the stamp designs and it is on this basis alone that the public has clamored for revisions. Deputy Postmaster General Walter Turnbull claims the Department isn't exactly happy with the items. He did indicate that there are plans afoot to replace the objectionable regulars.

As of the moment Canada has a six months supply of the 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c and 5c Elizabeths which should last through November. In any event it would be well on into 1954 before new dies could be engraved and stamps printed therefrom, so the current "objectionables" will be on hand for months at least.

According to W. Byles of London, Ontario it is expected that extra pressure will be put on to get new designs in production soon as possible.

It took 18 months to produce the present issue. One week after the death of King George VI post office officials conferred on selection of a photograph of the Queen from which a model of the stamp could be produced.

They chose a photo by Karsh of Ottawa and checked it with the Queen, who is reported to have been delighted. There were consultations with the Canadian Bank Note Company, which holds the contract for producing all Canadian stamps, with artists and photographers of good standing, and with officers of the National Gallery. There were suggestions, alterations and improvements in the design before the engraving began, minute stroke by minute stroke.

Special photo engraving, which can do a more adequate job of reproduction, is not available in Canada, Mr. Trunbull said. There was "a certain inherent loss" in the hand engraving, done on steel under a magnifying glass, which then must be transferred to a steel printing plate.

One uncertain stroke of the engraving tool and the nose is sharpened. Another unsure stroke and the mouth becomes less pleasant.

"One line can be the difference between a smile and a frown," the deputy said.

He said the new stamps look much better under a microscope, "but we don't supply microscopes with the stamps."

**Black Elected  
President Of COROS**

Members of the Collectors of Religion on Stamps Society (COROS), have recently chosen and installed new officers. Arthur F. Black of Charlotte, N. C. was elected president.

Vice presidents are two in number, Albert E. Tabler of Hamilton, Ohio and Ida Mae Kidwell of Alhambra, Calif. The treasurer is Mills M. Anderson of Mission, Kans. and the secretary, Sidney N. Steensma, 1484 Marlowe Ave., Detroit 27, Mich.

Organized in 1943 the group now has more than 600 members devoted to the religious stamp topic. A quarterly "COROS Chronicle" is sent to all members it containing society news and information pertaining to the subject.

**North Hudson Society  
Installs New Officers**

New officers of the North Hudson Philatelic Society of Guttenberg, N. J. have recently been elected and installed. They are president Emil Spinden; vice presidents John Smith, Jr. and Walter C. Lotz; corresponding secretary Dorothy B. Burr; recording secretary Alfred Schulz; and treasurer Joseph A. Berinoto.

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When Bureaus were at their height some years ago several items were counterfeited but that was the last heard about them. Technically there is a difference between faking and counterfeiting.

Faking is making a precancel to look like other precancels but from a city or town that never used them, or if the city or town has used precancels, making one of a type that never existed, leading the collector to believe it possibly was a new town or new type.

Counterfeiting is the attempt to imitate a stamp that already is listed and known. Generally the imitation is of a scarce item. As in the general stamp field, if you buy your stamps from an accredited dealer you will steer clear from the funny stuff.

**SANBORNVILLE, N. H. ENVE-  
LOPE.**

When the change over was made from the 1c rate to the 1 1/2c rate mention was made in the postal bulletin that provision would be made where stocks of the 1c envelopes were on hand to use them up. It was assumed that the officials would advise using a 1/2c precancel with the 1c to make the rate.

At Sanbornville a different but unique method was used. An addressing machine plate was made up and in the upper right hand corner of the plate are the words HALF CENT PAID. Yes there was a lower case "e" just as I have it. So no stamps were used. The rate increase was indicated and collectors of precanceled envelopes have a nice variety to hunt for. A word about precanceled envelopes. I have mentioned them frequently in the past several months. This is because of the rate change and the change to a new style. There are not so many collectors as I might lead some to believe of these envelopes, but those who do collect them really go after them.

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12 \$1 telegraph F ..... ??

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37 149 6 2 1/2P. F ..... 17.50

**WRITING**  
(Continued from page 1)

a list of possible markets for one's writing—but many small papers do not buy—they are glad to give complimentary subscriptions, however. Every story of any class must be prepared for some certain paper, with a knowledge of the format, that it be not too long. Try to get to the man just what he wants, and get it there for his deadline. Send along a brief note, for he is too busy for the reading of long letters. Be sure to enclose a self addressed envelope, and state if the return of the MSS is desired.

Have the copy double or triple spaced, for the linotype operator is a very important man; the better the MSS the better the printed article. If you have suitable cuts, ask if they are desired, or if only photos will be acceptable, to use in illustrating. Send photos in which the lights and darks are in sharp contrast, with a high shiny glaze. Be sure you have had something to say, and have said it simply, remembering a propaganda story is sent out to sell an idea.

**INFORMATION STORIES**

Informative articles are for the old line stamp editor, and he has come a long way and knows all the angles. He knows how well informed is the writer as soon as he lays eyes on the manuscript offered, and decides quickly if there is any worthwhile help, new suggestions, any new ways described of doing an old job in a new and attractive way.

A person writes what he knows, so know any subject thoroughly, and decide which paper you will send to, after securing copies to ascertain in what the editor is interested. Why try to write about "Specializing" if one is but a general collector, and nothing beyond?

The editor wants constructive ideas, correct dates, real facts, and never unfriendly criticism of a department or of a country issuing stamps. One may discuss poor printing, poor colors without being too raw about it. It is more the job of the editor than the columnist to criticize the much berated Post Office Department. In discussing a foreign issue

make sure you know the history of the country, the traditions of its people, religious backgrounds, perhaps its local saints, its motto, colors, rulers etc., for all are needed in describing a series of stamps of historic interest.

"Work your article over three times".

That is the advice of one of the greatest present day women writers of mystery stories. It is a truism too, every article needs a rough draft—then the added research worked in, then the final good clear copy.

In describing new issues of stamps, get the article in at least three weeks ahead of date of first issue. Tell why it has been authorized, who or what event it honors, the place for first day sale so readers can send their covers in.

If writing about old issues, doing research work, select a country in the limelight at present in world events. Select a good title, it often helps. One writer recently decided to feature the new stamps of Pakistan; he selected the title "Roses, Jasmine and Blood" in the Vale of Cashmere; it appeared in print the day of a great calamity, the murder of an important person there.

One recent story "Saffron Horror" was published the day the native state of Major Walter Reed staged a ceremonial honor in his memory at the little cot in which he was born. The story carried his stamp as issued in 1940, and the account of his great struggle to stamp out yellow fever.

Information about the stamp itself is not the only sort wanted. New ideas about such homely tasks as soaking, sorting, mounting, catalogues and albums are always in demand.

**LOCAL INTEREST STORIES**

This sort of article goes to the home town paper usually, and is, for example, wanted when the local Boy Scouts stage an event, and a showing of stamps issued in their honor is discussed. Local papers do not care for stamp stories, unless there happens to be a stamp club meeting, or a new stamp coming out to honor some historical character or event in

which there is a state or community interest. This sort requires illustrations.

If any local person has a fine stamp collection the local paper carries an account of it and shows pictures. Often when a prominent stamp paper has honored a local writer the paper of the town prints a recap.

The finding of some freak stamp or coin is always worth a story. Be it a "Propaganda," "Information" or "Local Interest" story just take one local editor's advice to one writer—"Make it timely—Let it make sense—Be brief—and, Get it in on time".

**New Memphis Club Meets At College**

A stamp club limited to adult collectors has been formed in Memphis, Tenn. It is to be known as the Memphis Philatelic Society.

Meetings to which interested persons are invited are held every other Tuesday at 8 p. m. in Room 101 of the Science Bldg. at Southwestern College.

George Morrow is the president; William L. Helton, 990-B Tully St., Memphis, Tenn. is secretary.

**Reese Prexy Of Michigan Stamp Club**

New officers are at the helm of the Michigan Stamp Club of Detroit, Mich. as the result of recent balloting. They are president J. A. Reese; vice president Ward Alkema; treasurer Leon Berman; and Lawrence Vincent secretary.

Meetings open to interested persons are on the first and third Mondays at the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel.

**Minneapolis Club Has New Officers**

Willis R. Salisbury was elected president, and Henry T. Pratt, vice president at a recent meeting of the Collectors Club of Minneapolis. Alvin R. Witt was re-elected treasurer.

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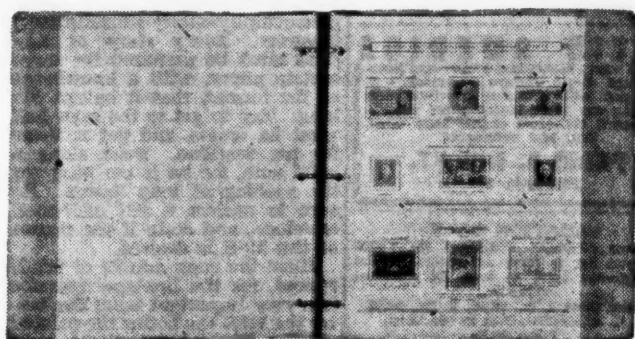
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A Queen Elizabeth II 1 pence stamp of the same design as the 3 pence is in preparation. The Coronation stamps are to remain on sale for a period of approximately two months.

**CZECHOSLOVAKIA** — Information from Artie Ltd., shows that this country is continuing to propagandize its socialization. For this purpose, two sets are noted. One, issued May 8, notes "buildings built to extend the material base of the Socialist Society." Values are 1.50 kcs., dam; 2kcs., welder at a blast furnace; and 3kcs., Kuncice iron works.

The second set, also issued May 8, denotes the socialization of agriculture. The 1.50kcs., shows a tractor with two sowing machines and the 7kcs., pictures a large combine.

**GREECE** — This country will release, on July 1 seven stamps showing "national products," according to the Royal Greek Embassy. Values are to be 500, 700, 1000, 1300, 2000, 2600 and 5000 drachmas. The designs will incorporate grapes and wine, figs and raisins, oranges and tobacco.

**ITALY** — According to P. Ostrow a special postcard was issued for the European Philatelic Exhibition. It has an imprinted blue-green, 20 lire stamp in an entirely new design, showing "crowned Italia," facing left.

**GREAT BRITAIN** — Without any previous announcement, this country has issued a 6d Coronation Air Letter Sheet, bearing a souvenir design as well as an imprinted commemorative stamp.

**SUDAN** — The Department of Posts and Telegraphs has announced that there is to be a Sudan Self-Government commemorative issue of three stamps. The date of issue has not been announced. The values are 15mm, 3 piastres and 5 piastres and will be oblong in shape.

The Department also announces that there will be no further issues of "Airmail" stamps. Supplies that are now on hand of the current airmail issue will be sold until exhausted.

**TRISTAN DA CUNHA** — This colony is going to have a set of stamps, to replace the current issue which consists of the St. Helena set, overprinted. All values will incorporate a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II.

Values and colors are to be: 1/2 pence, brown and vermillion; 1d, green and red-brown; 1 1/2d, magenta and black; 2d orange and gray; 2 1/2d red and black; 3d olive green and pale blue; 4d blue and turquoise; 5d grey and green; 6d violet and olive; 9d light red and lilac; 1 shilling brown and green; 2/6, turquoise and brown; 5/6 orange-red and black; 10/1 purple and orange.

### Philatelist Reprints Important Articles

Now available to members of the APS and the general collecting public is a series of reprints of various outstanding articles originally appearing in various issues of the "American Philatelist" in 1952.

Currently there are seven obtainable at 25c each from the American Philatelic Society, P. O. Box 800, State College, Pa. The titles and authors are:

"The Milwaukee & Mississippi R. R. And Its Postmarks"—Ronald L. Hustis;

"Early Oregon Expresses"—A. Jay Hertz;

"Confederate States Trans-Mississippi Express Mail"—Lawrence L. Shenfield;

"The Confederate Privateers"—George N. Malpass;

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Next October 24, the United Nations Postal Administration will issue a set of two stamps for U.N. Day. Denominations are to be 3c and 5c and the design to be common to both is shown herewith. It is the work of Olav Mathiesen a member of the international secretariat of the U.N. Symbolized is Technical Assistance among the members of the World Organization.

### Slogans Indicate Local Celebrations

Various local celebrations involving 50 to 150 years of existence for communities are the subject matter of several slogan cancellations announced as available to collectors by the Post Office Department.

To obtain an imprint of them on envelopes a 3c stamp must be affixed as well as a name and address to each. Stuffers are to be enclosed. Two cent postal cards can also be used. Send these prepared covers to the postmasters of the named cities with a request that the slogan be applied.

Tiffin, Ohio will have a sesquicentennial slogan to December 31.

Susquehanna, Pa. observes its centennial sloganwise to December 31 also.

Klamath Falls, Ore. marks the centennial of the Discovery of Crater Lake to December 31.

Alhambra, Calif. observes its golden jubilee from July to the year's end.

From July 1 to the end of the year Kansas, Ill. will use a centennial slogan.

### LITHOGRAPHY

(Continued from page 1)

the dry plate. Care must be taken not to damage the good portions of the design.

After allowing the caustic soda to remain on the plate for about two minutes soak up the soda with a sponge or a piece of blotting paper without sweeping it across the good portions of the design. The clean portion of the plate can then be lightly scoured with pumice powder on cotton wool and washed with weak nitric acid and alum solution followed by clean water.

While all these operations are being carried out extreme care must be exercised to avoid damaging the rest of the design or the adjacent stamp designs.

From the above technical description it will be seen that re-entries and corrections because of their complicated nature are few and far between.

For alterations and additions the procedure is as follows:

The plate must be cleaned. If an addition only is to be made the plate can be cleaned after washing off the gum with a solution of nitric acid-alum water, used carefully.

The plate is then perfectly clean and ready to be drawn or transferred upon. Newly drawn work can be rubbed off the plate with india-rubber, but do not rub the grain flat.

(As it is impossible to print from a perfectly smooth surface all plates must be given a grain by means of a nitric acid bath. This roughens the surface of the zinc sufficiently to enable the etched surface of the plate to hold the water and to give the gum a foothold on the plate).

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I trust that sufficient has been said about the subject to make readers realize that re-entries, alterations or corrections are only done as a last resort, and because of the time involved are avoided whenever possible.

Offset litho printing is simply the use of the yielding nature of a sheet of rubber which adjusts itself to the irregularities of the surface of the paper.

The elimination of the heavy pressure required for direct printing makes halftone lithography a practical proposition. Delicate detail can be faithfully reproduced even when the press is running at a high speed.

A flat solid impression can be gotten with the minimum quantity of ink which means that the thickness of the film of ink on the paper when offset litho is used is about half that of other processes. In other words the inks are transparent.

Because the film of ink on the paper as the result of the litho process is so thin difficulties have occurred with the making of litho inks. The most permanent colors in printing inks are made from earth pigments. However these pigments are too gritty to be used for offset lithography and the result is that litho inks are less permanent than other inks.

That means to say that while stamps printed by the offset process look very attractive when they are new, they lose their bloom quickly and their colors fade the fastest. In other words litho printed stamps are not light fast.

Should the paper contain traces of acidity, and many grades of paper do, the acid in the paper can be the reason why the colors change, or even disappear. Some colors are sensitive to acidity in the presence of moisture, heat and sunlight.

The surface of the paper itself is important. Colors cannot remain unaffected when printed on papers with discolor.

Ultra-violet light has an adverse effect upon colors and is the most potent source of faded colors.

In litho work a "high light" negative is used. A "high light" negative is a halftone image in which the high light dots have been rendered to a size necessary for correct representation of the lights in the copy, or eliminated entirely as the case might be. Such negatives are necessary in litho for the simple reason that there is no reduction of dot size on the plate such as takes place in the etching of the photo engraver.

The point delivered from the lithographic negative to the lithographic press plate is the actual printing image. Therefore, unless the tones in the negative have been held so as to accurately reproduce the copy, the result in the original will be an unpleasant and heavy degradation.

It is for this reason that the photo-lithographer requires a halftone wherein the highlights and middle tones, as well as the lighter tones, must be considerably lighter than in the corresponding negative for photo-engraving. This is achieved by making the photograph much "higher," a trade term for the halftone image in which the highlights and middle tones are represented by greater opacity, the openings in the extreme high lights being frequently of the socalled pin-point variety.

The above explains the difference between litho and intaglio. In intaglio all the hollows which hold the ink are of equal area, but of different depth. In litho, the dots are of different diameters but of equal height.

The dots on a lithoplate are very much smaller than they are in letter-press printing. Therefore in a given area there will be more litho dots than letter-press dots. That is why litho prints more like intaglio than letter-press.

Nevertheless, color work obtained from the three processes cannot be

compared because of the wide difference in technique employed to get a printing plate. Not to mention the fact that the inks used are entirely dissimilar in manufacture and density.

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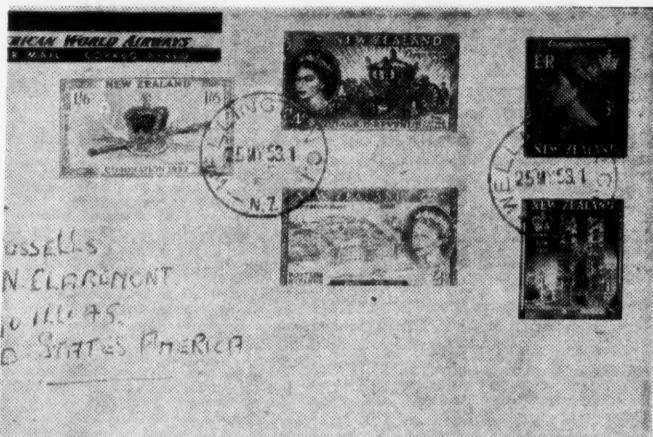
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## BRITISH EMPIRE CHATTER

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**FALKLAND ISLAND DEPENDENCIES.** A new definitive issue for the Dependencies has been ordered which will include a portrait of the new Queen and each value will feature a ship connected with Antarctic exploration.

There will be fifteen values from  $\frac{1}{2}$  penny to one Pound, with a total face value of about 43 shillings. Up to the present time, the highest value stamp was one shilling, which probably was enough to take care of the actual postal requirements.

Now there is to be added a 2/-, 6/-, 5/-, 10/-, and Pound values.

Evidently these are not required for postal use, but are issued to garner dollars from collectors.

There will be plenty of complaints but it will require a real collector's boycott to eliminate the issuance of these unnecessary high value stamps.

**DOMINICA.** The current 4c and 8c stamps have been ordered with the Royal portrait changed.

**NYASALAND.** Further supplies of Queen Elizabeth 1/2, 2d and 6d stamps have been ordered with a different perforation to assist their sale from vending machines in coils.

**ADEN.** On June 15 Aden will release a new definitive issue of thirteen values from 5c to 20 shillings. This looks like another attempt to milk the collectors at the rate of \$2.80 for a small piece of paper that costs very little. The cost of printing a Pound stamp is about the same as that of the lowest value.

**TONGA.** On July 1 Tonga will release a new definitive issue of fourteen values from one penny to one Pound. Until now, Tonga found a top value of 5 shillings sufficient for postal needs, but now is added a 10 shillings and one Pound value.

Perhaps this is required to pay the expense of Queen Salote's attendance to the coronation of Queen Elizabeth.

These high unnecessary values are hastening the death of the "Goose that laid the golden eggs."

All values of the current set will be withdrawn from sale at the close of business on June 30.

**grenada.** On June 15 Grenada will release two stamps 1c and 12c, with the portrait changed to the new Queen.

## AUSTRIA

ONE CENT EACH: 145 146 148 168 169 181 # Mint Used # Mint Used

182 184 186 187 189 190 193 200 201 202 203 173 .05 .05 423 .08 .08 B276 .15 .16 J203 .06 .06

204 205 207 208 208a 209 210 211 212 213 174 .50 .50 424 .30 .30 B276 .15 .16 J203 .06 .06

214 215 216 217 218 227 228 229 230 231 175 .60 .60 424 .45 .45 C1 .25 .25 J223 .04 .02

232 233 234 235 236 237 238 239 241 242 176 .60 .60 424 .45 .45 C3 .75 .75 J224 .04 .02

243 244 245 246 247 248 250 251 252 253 188 .04 .04 4238 .40 .40 C12 .10 .10 J225 .06 .02

254 255 256 257 258 259 260 261 262 263 191 .04 .04 4239 .64 .64 C13 .06 .06 J226 .06 .02

264 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 197 .04 .04 430 1.24 1.34 C14 .12 .12 J227 .07 .02

288 289 290 291 292 432 433 434 435 436 198 .25 .25 430 2.75 C17 .13 .13 J228 .10 .03

438 439 440 441 442 443 444 445 446 199 .65 .65 454 .04 .04 C18 .45 .45 J229 .10 .02

447 448 449 450 451 452 453 454 455 456 200 .58 .58 455 .04 .04 C19 .60 .60 J230 .15 .03

519 547 549 550 551 552 553 554 555 556 201 .58 .58 456 .04 .04 C20 .35 .35 J231 .25 .25

J77 778 779 780 781 782 783 784 785 786 202 .06 .06 481 .12 .12 C23 .35 .35 J232 .04 .02

J87 788 789 790 791 792 793 794 795 796 203 .06 .06 482 .06 .06 C24 .20 .20 J233 .04 .02

J98 799 800 801 802 803 804 805 806 807 204 .06 .06 483 .06 .06 C25 .25 .25 J240 .06 .01

J106 817 818 819 820 821 822 823 824 825 205 .15 .15 484 .04 .04 C26 .25 .25 J241 .06 .02

J114 818 819 820 821 822 823 824 825 826 206 .25 .25 485 .04 .04 C27 .14 .14 J242 .06 .02

J177 8178 8179 8180 8181 8182 8183 8184 8185 8186 207 .25 .25 486 .04 .04 C28 .40 .40 J243 .07 .03

J195 8197 8198 8199 8200 8201 8202 8203 8204 8205 208 .40 .40 507 .05 .05 C30 .06 .06 J244 .08 .03

J204 8209 8210 8211 8212 8213 8214 8215 8216 8217 209 .06 .06 508 .06 .06 C31 .10 .10 J245 .10 .06

J253 842 843 844 845 846 847 848 849 850 851 210 .06 .06 509 .04 .04 C34 .10 .10 J246 .11 .02

4N12 P18 P24 P28 P32 P31 P32 P33 P34 211 .06 .06 510 .04 .04 C35 .10 .10 J247 .13 .02

P35 P36 P37 P38 P39 P40 P41 P42 212 .06 .06 511 .15 .15 C36 .10 .10 J248 .14 .05

P44 P45 P46 P47 P48 P49 P50 P51 P52 213 .06 .06 512 .08 .08 C37 .12 .12 J249 .15 .05

P53 P54 P55 QEB 214 .06 .06 513 .15 .15 C38 .12 .12 J250 .35 .08

Above numbers may be had either mint or used.

306 .10 .01 514 .16 .16 C39 .12 .12 J251 .70 .10

306 .05 .01 515 .20 .18 C40 .18 .18 J254 .10 .10

310 .10 .01 523 .12 .12 C41 .18 .18 J255 .17 .17

312 .10 .01 524 .12 .12 C42 .25 .25 J256 .20 .20

314 .08 .02 526 .06 .06 C43 .25 .25 J257 .28 .18

316 .15 .05 527 .06 .06 C44 .25 .25 J258 .35 .08

316 .15 .05 528 .07 .07 C50 .06 .06 J259 .35 .08

317 .20 .06 529 .08 .08 C51 .10 .10 J260 .17 .17

318 .19 .05 530 .15 .15 C52 .15 .15 M5 .04 .04

320 .25 .06 531 .15 .15 C53 .10 .10 M7 .18 .06

321 .27 .06 532 .15 .15 C54 .05 .06 M8 .15 .15

321 .27 .06 533 .35 .35 C55 .18 .18 M9 .08 .08

322 .30 .06 534 .35 .35 C56 .10 .10 M10 .00 .00

323 .30 .06 535 .35 .35 C57 .06 .06 M11 .00 .00

324 .15 .06 536 .07 .07 C58 .06 .06 M12 .00 .00

324 .15 .06 537 .07 .07 C59 .06 .06 M13 .00 .00

324 .15 .06 538 .07 .07 C60 .06 .06 M14 .00 .00

324 .15 .06 539 .07 .07 C61 .06 .06 M15 .00 .00

324 .15 .06 540 .07 .07 C62 .06 .06 M16 .00 .00

324 .15 .06 541 .07 .07 C63 .06 .06 M17 .00 .00

324 .15 .06 542 .07 .07 C64 .06 .06 M18 .00 .00

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324 .15 .06 547 .07 .07 C69 .06 .06 M23 .00 .00

324 .15 .06 548 .07 .07 C70 .06 .06 M24 .00 .00

324 .15 .06 549 .07 .07 C71 .06 .06 M25 .00 .00

324 .15 .06 550 .07 .07 C72 .06 .06 M26 .00 .00

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324 .15 .06 566 .07 .07 C88 .06 .06 M42 .00 .00

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